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(57) Abstract			
Protection of plants against pathogenic fungi is achieved by the use of binucleate <i>Rhizoctonia</i> selected through the molecular detection of certain ITS ribosomal sequences, the protective strains suitably being members of a phylogenetically differentiated cluster. A new group of binucleate <i>Rhizoctonia</i> is thereby provided. ITS data, especially the ITS1 data, is employed to distinguish suitable isolates.			

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